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REMARKS

Amended claims 3-6, 10, 13-15 and 19-21 are currently pending. Claims 1, 2, 7-9, 11, 12, 16-18, and 22-24 have been cancelled. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the original claims and other claims in this and in other applications.

Claims 3-6, 10, 13-15 and 19-21 stand objected to as being dependent upon a reject base claim. These claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Therefore, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

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